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## Fish Cannery Open Contract For New Wage

Letters were sent to the Monterey Fish Processors Assn. and all independent cannery operators in the Monterey area last week by the Fish Cannery Workers Union, informing the employers of a desire to open the contract for wage improvements and other gains.

Lester Caveny, business agent of the union, said that the 60-day notice was sent to employers in conformity with the Taft-Hartley Law, which affects the industry.

Details of contract demands were not made public by Caveny, although he said an increase in wages was a paramount issue.

Similar action to open contracts has been or will be taken by cannery worker unions all along the Pacific Coast, Caveny said. Negotiations are underway in some areas and are expected to be started in Monterey shortly.

There has been no work thus far during the summer season, due to lack of fish, it was reported. One day of work on mackerel trucked in from other ports is the total since the sardine season ended last January.

## Fish Cannery Union Supports Six Candidates

Endorsement of six candidates in the important state and national elections next Tuesday was voted recently by the Fish Cannery Workers Union at Monterey, according to Lester A. Caveny, business agent.

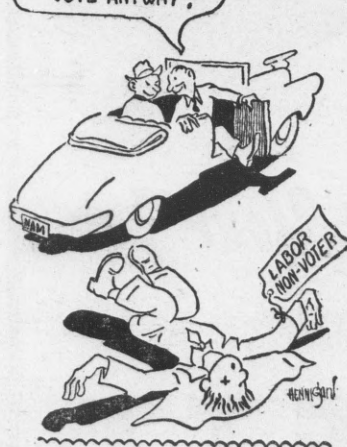
Endorsed were: Marion R. Walker, for Congressman; Helen Gahagan Douglas, for U. S. Senator; James Roosevelt, for Governor; George Miller Jr., for lieutenant governor; Pat Brown, for attorney general, and George L. Rice, for state assemblyman.

## Big Airport Project Due

Construction of a \$100,000 administration building at the Salinas Municipal Airport is being considered and may be started just after July 1, according to J. B. McGinley, business agent of Laborers Union 272.

City officials are gathering data on administration buildings in other cities. The Federal government is expected to pay about half of the cost of a new structure, it was reported.

"HIT HIM AGAIN, HE DOESN'T VOTE ANYWAY."



## Picket Boddy's Newspaper



AFL Commercial Telegraphers are pictured marching in front of Manchester Boddy's Daily News, which houses the Los Angeles headquarters of United Press. Telegraphers, on strike against United Press, claim strikebreakers are being used to handle news reports furnished to the Daily News. Boddy, publisher of the Daily News and self-styled champion of labor, currently is seeking the Democratic nomination for U. S. Senator. The Taft-Hartley law compels members of the Newspaper Guild and printing trade unions AFL to continue working.

## Linoleum Men At Monterey Seek New Pact

Linoleum layers division of Painters Union 272 at Monterey are seeking a new contract and have met jointly with employers in preliminary negotiations, according to James Bolin, business agent of the union.

At the special joint meeting, negotiations committee of both sides were selected in an effort to get together on an agreement.

Representing the workers as negotiators are Stanley Rice, Raymond Parcelious and Harry Ferguson. Employer negotiating committee includes Faye Miller, W. Phelps and Don Cummings.

## CLEAN-UP WEEK PAINTERS THANKED

Pointing out that the list of painters of Local 1104 of Salinas as volunteers who donated services to paint the Salinas Rescue Mission recently was incomplete as printed in last week's Labor News, Peter Greco, union business manager, issued the following statement last week:

"While the Labor News printed the names of volunteers during the Clean Up Week campaign, it should be pointed out that it is impossible to make up a complete list in such matters. Therefore, I want to use this means of expressing my sincere thanks to all those who helped, whether their names were listed or not."

## Electricians Begin Annual Ballot June 7

Members of Electrical Workers Union 243 of Salinas will meet on Wednesday, June 7, at the Salinas Labor Temple, at which time nominations will be accepted for new officers, it was reported last week by Business Agent Karl Ozols.

Balloting will be conducted by referendum with all votes to be in by Wednesday, June 28, at which time the union membership will meet again to hear results of the count of ballots.

## 1949 RODEO QUEEN URGES GIRLS ENTER SALINAS CONTEST

Appearing at many California rodeos this year, Miss Joanne Phillips is urging senior class high school girls to compete for the honors she won in 1949. In competition with candidates from all over the state, Joanne was acclaimed Sweetheart of the California Rodeo at Salinas, as winner of the Outdoor Girl contest. With the title, Joanne received a cash scholarship award of \$500.00 which she expects to use when she enters the University of California at Davis. She is now enrolled in the San Benito County Junior College in Hollister, her home town.

This annual contest, sponsored by the big Salinas show, is open to all senior class girls in California. Final judging will take place June 21st at Salinas, and the new Sweetheart will replace Joanne, and reign over the California Rodeo, June 22nd through June 25th.

## Building Group To Elect Agent

Election of a business agent is scheduled by the Monterey County Building Trades Council at the meeting on Thursday night of this week, at Monterey.

Jim Bolin, business agent of Painters Union 272 of Monterey, currently is acting as representative for the building council, having accepted the post on a temporary basis to succeed Fred Miller, of Carpenters Union 1323, who terminated his service on May 4.

## Kenyon Dunked On Fishing Trip

William G. ("Bud") Kenyon, well known labor union official in the Salinas area and now business agent for Teamsters 890, fell into the Carmel River on a fishing excursion recently, it was disclosed last week.

Having hooked a "big one," Kenyon was playing the fish when his foot slipped on a rock. He hung on to the pole, however, and despite the dunking, landed the trout. Then, still wet, he was forced to drive home in his underwear, it was said.

## Labor's Choice

Here are the candidates endorsed by the State Federation of Labor and by most unions of this area:

FOR GOVERNOR—James Roosevelt.

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR—George Miller Jr.

FOR U. S. SENATOR—Helen Gahagan Douglas.

FOR CONGRESSMAN—Marion R. Walker.

FOR STATE ASSEMBLYMAN—George L. Rice.

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL—Fred Howser. (Some unions locally have endorsed Pat Brown for attorney general, although Howser is the State AFL selection.)

## McGinley Lists Salinas Area Work Projects

With employment opportunities continuing in the Salinas area for members of Laborers Union 272 and for other building craftsmen, J. B. McGinley last week compiled the following list of projects which are keeping or will keep workers busy.

Such projects are:

Pacific Builders, of Salinas, have started work on new apartment buildings, ranch type, in the Mission Park tract.

Sewers in Santa Lucia Village tract are being installed by Valley Trenching Co. of Fresno, while street paving in this tract is being completed by George Rentz, Salinas contractor.

Work on Highway 101 South is being rushed by Granite Construction Co., of Watsonville, the job including widening and surfacing.

Bricklayers employed by the Johnson Co., of San Francisco, are lining boilers at the sugar plant at Spreckels.

The big cement chimney at the state prison at Soledad is nearly completed, under the Custodius Co. of Chicago, contractors. Fire brick is being installed for the lower 65 feet of the towering chimney.

Brick work in the boiler room at the prison is being completed by the Johnson Co., of San Francisco.

## Permanente Pay Dispute Here Settled

Settlement was reached last week in San Jose on a dispute over whether work on the moving of a quarry and related buildings at the Natividad plant of Permanente Metals Corp. should be paid for at new construction or maintenance rate.

At a negotiations meeting in San Jose, compromise was reached whereby the company would pay for all work on the new quarry location prior to May 2 at the new construction rate, all work since that time at the maintenance scale, it was reported.

Attending the San Jose meeting were: J. B. McGinley, business agent of Laborers 272; Tom Mill, president, and Harvey Baldwin, business agent, both of Carpenters 925, Salinas; Pete Greco, business agent of Painter 1104; Karl Ozols, business agent of Electricians 243, and Thomas Eide, business agent of Monterey Carpenters Union 1323.

## Labor Temple Plans Revised; To Start Soon

Prolonged delays in start of construction of the new Salinas Labor Temple have been caused by extensive changes in plans for the building, according to Randolph Fenchel, president of the Laborers Union 272 Hall Association, owner of the present temple and builder of the new project.

Alterations have been necessitated by an increase in number of organizations asking for office and meeting space in the new building, it was reported.

The office area has been enlarged somewhat and redesigned to accommodate more unions. In addition, certain changes in design of the structure have been made to make the building more attractive.

Another delay which held up completion of plans was the wait for approval of the installation of garbage grinders in the kitchen at the new building, spokesmen said. Approval has been received now.

Architects are expected to have the plans completed and specifications drawn by the end of this week. Next step will be the call for bids for construction.

It is hoped to have the new building, which will be located at 115 Pajaro St., adjoining the present temple, completed in time for dedication about Labor Day.

## Butchers: Stay Out of Santa Cruz

There are no openings for butchers in Santa Cruz. This was the word being vigorously passed down by officers of Butchers Local 266 last week. Union Bus. Agt. Kaspar Bauer, swamped by a host of requests for jobs from other California cities, is asking all members of the craft to by-pass Santa Cruz in their quests for jobs.

"This means journeymen, part-time butchers and tourist butchers," Bauer said. "We have seen a practice grow in recent years whereby part-time butchers, anxious to work a couple of days a week and loaf the rest of the time on the beach, have made Santa Cruz their summer headquarters. We have no openings, permanent or part-time, and there is little prospect for this year."

Bauer added that increased meat prices have affected business in local markets and that buyer resistance is growing. The use of packaged meats also is cutting into employment as more and more markets adopt this type of service.

More than two score requests for work have been received in the past month, Bauer declared.

## Franciscan Bar Re-opens Union

The cocktail lounge and bar at the Hotel Franciscan in downtown Salinas was re-opened last week, again under a contract with Bartenders Union 545, according to union Secretary Al Clark.

Included in the union crew are George Krieger, Myrle Crites and Pat Garrity, an old-timer in the Salinas area who has been gone for some time.

# Don't Fail to Vote June 6!



# Voters, Elect Walker — Stop Mis-rule

Voters in the 11th Congressional District will have an opportunity to defeat Congressman E. K. Bramblett on Tuesday, June 11, 1950, by voting for Marion R. Walker, Democrat for Congress.

Walker has been officially endorsed by the League for Political Education of the California State Federation of Labor, by the Democratic County Central Committee in Ventura, Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo and Monterey Counties, and by every organized labor unit in the district.

Walker points out that the incumbent, Bramblett, has the worst voting record of any of California's 23 Congressman. "During his four years in Washington, Bramblett has voted consistently against the interest of his constituents, on the side of wealthy, special interests, and particularly against organized labor," Walker stated. Walker pointed out that Bramblett campaigned four years ago on the slogan, "Housing now, not Alibis," and then voted against every housing measure in the House of Representatives.

His so-called "tax free" home owners bill is according to Walker, "A cover up by Bramblett of his bad housing votes. Bramblett's bill has two great faults according to Walker. "It does not help the little fellow or veteran with his down payment on a house, and it doesn't help the heavy monthly payments a home buyer must make."

Mr. Walker's campaign has been carried on vigorously throughout the district. Walker has been speaking to labor, civic, religious and fraternal organizations and to numerous Democratic Clubs. In winding up the primary campaign, Walker has pointed out that Bramblett was the only member of the California Delegation in Congress, Democrat or Republican, to vote against a seventy-five-cent minimum wage. He also voted against extension of Social Security, against rural telephones for farmers, and last week he voted against the promotion of Negroes in the Bureau of Engraving in Washington.

"If elected to office, I will represent all of the people in my district. I will keep in constant touch with the district problems," Walker said, "and you may be sure that my voting record will be one of which the people of this district can be proud."

## Blast Postal Cut

Washington. — Pres. William C. Doherty, Natl. Assn. of Letter Carriers (AFL), told the Senate Post Office Committee that Postmaster Jesse Donaldson's recent service and cost-cutting orders are "ill timed, ill advised, unnecessary, unwarranted and obnoxious."

## IBEW Local Head in Pa. Assembly Race

Lawrence W. Parkill, president of the Electrical Workers Local Union No. 712, of Beaver Falls, Pa., is the only endorsed Republican candidate for the Pennsylvania Assembly from the second district in Beaver County.

He has received the endorsement of that county's Central Labor Council.

They hope you'll forget, but don't! Vote on June 6!

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# GENTLEMEN PREFER BLONDS



"Gentlemen prefer blonds", says this husky bull, who seems quite content to wear a saddle as long as California Rodeo Sweetheart, Joanne Phillips of Hollister, is in it. The California Rodeo this year is June 22-25, at Salinas.

## Greco Active In State Meet On Travel Pay

Business Agent Peter Greco of Salinas Painters Union 1104 was in Sacramento recently to attend a special session called by the State Building Trades Council in regard to travel time and subsistence pay on state work, such as the forestry service fire station camp at Slack's Canyon.

Greco said painters were involved as much as other crafts in the project and in the travel time question. The meeting was held with representatives of the attorney general's office, the state architect's office, the personnel board, and others. Decision on whether the travel time is to be considered part of wages, where already part of local contracts, is awaited from the state.

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### THANKS!

Editor, Labor News:

We have noted with interest your willingness to publish items regarding the educational facilities for apprentices in the Salinas Evening School.

Our school, we believe, is developing a strong vocational program, and we are pleased with the cooperation that our Coordinator, C. I. Bentley, has received from labor and management alike.

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## RICE URGES ALL TO VOTE ON JUNE 6

George L. Rice, secretary of Culinary Workers & Bartenders Union 483 of Monterey and candidate for election as state assemblyman, last week called upon all citizens to vote in the important election to be held next Tuesday, June 6.

Rice pointed out that the election of a U.S. senator, U.S. congressman, governor and state officials, plus the selection of certain county officers, make this coming election day one of the most important ever faced by county voters.

Widely supported by labor unions and Democratic Party groups, Rice is winding up his campaign this week in San Luis Obispo and Monterey counties. Observers have expressed faith that he will win the Democratic nomination over his Republican opponent, James Silliman, of Salinas.

### "Greatest Threat"

"The greatest threat to the free enterprise system in America is not social security, minimum wage, aid to education, rural electrical programs and the like. The greatest threat to free enterprise in America is growing monopoly. . . ."  
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PRIMARY ELECTION  
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## EDITORIALS

### REAL FIGHT AHEAD

As soon the primary election is over and the returns are finally checked we will all know how many of the candidates endorsed by labor really have qualified for the November election. Since our cross-filing is still with us in California it will naturally follow that some of the cross-filers will get the nominations of both the leading political parties. If these are the labor candidates they will then be virtually elected. On the other hand if our enemies get both nominations the result will be a shutout for our own candidates in such cases. That is the curse of cross-filing.

Whatever the result of this year's primaries labor should set about immediately to wage an aggressive campaign for the election of those candidates who qualify for the November election. This is one election where labor must get into this political fight with a realization that much is at stake. In every state of the union those who would outlaw and destroy all unions have been working incessantly, since World War II ended, to secure both the state laws and the national laws that they must have in order to accomplish this.

In this fight to destroy organized labor by legislation it naturally must center about the lawmakers to be elected to Congress and to every state legislature, including California. Unless labor can secure the election of more pro-labor lawmakers than we have now labor is in for most serious reverses. It is a long time since labor has faced so critical a situation.

### PEACE GENERALLY DESIRED

That enlightened people everywhere desire peace in our world is a fact that is continually putting a damper on the ambitious plans of those who want to plunge the world into another war. Wherever we go today the clamor for peace is continually getting more and more determined. Even where war is raging the underlying motive is to establish conditions under which permanent peace may become possible.

In Europe the great bulk of the people of every country do not want more general wars. In Western Europe there are quite a few people who would like to see the United States step out and whip the stuffings out of Russia, but this does not mean that they themselves are at all anxious to take much of a hand in such a fight. To some extent we may have boasted ourselves into this unpleasant position. This pledging of assistance to other nations in all parts of the world is apt to give the people of those nations the impression that we are just itching to get another world war started. The truth of the matter is that the overwhelming majority of the people of the United States do not desire another war.

That there are warmongers must be conceded. The skepticism with which they ridicule the efforts of those who are trying most earnestly to establish peaceful relations between all nations prove that at heart they do not want peace. They may talk peace at the same time they are doing everything they can to prevent its realization.

### BATTLE WE'VE ALWAYS LOST

There is one battle that the United States has always lost since the early days of our existence as a nation. That is our battle against the national debt. From an original amount of thousands it grew first to millions and now to billions, yes over 250 billion dollars at the present time with every prospect that it will increase many billions more.

What this means is that although we as a nation could wipe out our national debt completely there are powerful financial interests that profit immensely from the existence of this debt, which they are permitted to use as the chief foundation for our present money system, with private bankers reaping enormous profits at the expense of the people, who inhabit this country from the way money is issued.

It is an injustice against present and future generations to establish a permanent debt on which the American people are continually being called upon to pay an enormous toll of interest, which at the present time has reached the staggering sum of approximately six and a half billion dollars a year which means the interest collectors are extracting eighteen million dollars a day, during every day each year, from the American people.

It is high time we started the battle to wipe out our national debt. It can be won.

Time is now getting very close to primary election day, Tuesday, June 6th. Do your thinking now several days before you enter the voting booth.

## Bits Of Humor

"Now, boys," said the preacher, "can any of you tell me how iron was first discovered?"

"Yes, sir," replied one bright lad. "I understand my father to say that they smelt it."

Jones: "If you took up music, what instrument would you prefer?"

James: "Well, I always thought I'd like to be soloist on the cash register."

In a southern town are two churches across the street from each other. "Couldn't they be combined?" asked a visitor. "Not very well," was the reply, "that one says 'There ain't no hell,' and this one says, 'The hell there ain't.'"

More Scotch Lore: Doctor told a Scotsman his wife should have had her tonsils out when she was a girl, so he sent the bill to his father-in-law. . . . And when he won a new car in a drawing, Sandy still was unhappy. Asked why, he replied, "Tis this other ticket; why I ever bought it, I canna' imagine."

Baby wakes up in the wee wee hours of the morning.

"It's a perfect news story."  
"What is it, man bite a dog?"  
"No, a hydrant sprinkled one."

Title of a vital statistics column in a small paper: "Hatched, matched, and detached."

Patients filled the doctor's waiting room. Some were standing. There fell a long silence, until finally an old man stood up wearily and remarked, "Well, I guess I'll go home and die a natural death."

And then there was the hypochondriac who remarked, when the doctor entered unexpectedly, "If I'd known you were coming I'd have faked an ache."

A Kentuckian and his son sat smoking in front of the fire. After a long period of silence, the father said, "Son, step outside and see if it's raining." Without looking up, the son answered, "Aw, Pop, why not jest call in the dog and see if he's wet?"

Heard during a slow match at the fights: "Hit him now, you bum. You've got the wind with you!"

### Work of Geo. Miller, Jr. Is Praised by Ash

The campaign headquarters of George Miller, Jr., Democratic candidate for Lieutenant Governor, issued a release this week calling attention to the fact that the Alameda County AFL League for Political Education has endorsed Miller. The press release then referred to Sec. Robert Ash of the AFL political group as follows:

"Endorsing George Miller, Jr. is common-sense political thinking," Ash said. "Since 1946, Miller as an elected representative of the people of Contra Costa County, has been in Sacramento fighting for decent labor legislation and leading the floor battles to stop anti-labor laws."

"Our union brothers in Contra Costa County supported his campaign for the State Senate in 1948. Elected on a pro-labor platform, Senator Miller kept his pledges. He has a 100 per cent labor voting record."

Declaring that the incumbent Republican lieutenant governor has seen fit "to turn his back on the needs of the people of California," Ash said: "Our kind of membership does not want that kind of man in office."

"George Miller, Jr.'s courageous leadership has always been an inspiration to the friends of labor," Ash declared. "Our membership knows that he will keep on working on behalf of the working people of the state."

## Why We Need a New Governor

During the past eight years Earl Warren has been entrusted with the governorship of California. He secured his election by promising the old age pension group everything and then double-crossed them after he became governor. Likewise he got a large fraction of the labor vote four years ago by promising labor many things, then demonstrated where he really stood by permitting the hot cargo law to be adopted, by vetoing bills that labor wanted enacted and signing other laws over the protest of the legislative labor representatives at Sacramento.

While a Republican candidate for vice president in 1948 he toured the country telling his audiences that the Taft-Hartley bill was all right with a few additional changes, that all Republicans conceded should be made. Then when they undertook to change the new draft, which was voted for by all Republicans in Congress from California, while all California Democratic Congressmen voted against it, this changed bill to amend the Taft-Hartley law was even worse, instead of better. It did not become a law.

What is wrong with the Taft-Hartley law is that it opens the way for endless litigation against labor unions. But the worst feature of it is that it restores to judges the right to issue injunctions to order men to stay on the job after they have voted to strike or to go back to work after they have gone out on strike. When any man, be he judge or dictator, can tell workingmen that they must work against their will, that is slavery and any governor or high official, who is in favor of this slave law, is a menace to working people everywhere.

For not submitting to this slavery which may be imposed under the Taft Hartley law by judges labor unions may be fined out of existence. Since Warren is in favor of such a law it becomes the strongest reason imaginable why union people, who may have voted for him before now no longer want to trust their future to this governor.

Warren's record of serving big business is now well known to all who have followed his actions, as governor. When the oil interests were itching to jump their gas prices Warren obligingly came back to the legislature three times with a two cent gas tax proposal which enabled the oil monopolies to raise the price on an average of six cents per gallon all over the state of California. It was on the third try that the governor succeeding in putting over this scheme to jump our gasoline prices, with the aid of a previously reluctant legislature. It would be interesting to know how these lawmakers were won over.

Two years ago Warren left daylight saving in force during all the shortest days of 1948, when nearly everybody, except the power trust, was pleading for an end to this nuisance after days started to shorten, but Warren paid heed to the power trust, as has been his custom in so many similar situations.

Although Warren has always claimed that he was for supplying adequate funds to our free public school system, there were several occasions when he cut the appropriations many millions of dollars, after the money had been voted by the legislature. Thus he helped to create the need for the bond issue for schools voted at last fall's special election, under which a big debt bearing interest is the method used to raise the bond issue instead of the direct way that Warren had the opportunity to let much of this money be provided long before it was. But no, not Warren. He simply slashed the amounts voted by the legislature and now we have to pay interest on all that he cut down, besides the needless heavy expense of the special election, whose real purpose it is quite generally conceded was to wreck the pension plan adopted by the people's mandate in the election of 1948.

We now know Warren much better than we did four years ago. It is now clear that his many promises of the past, which sounded fine to us common people in other elections were never intended to be performed. Warren is not a true servant of the people. Instead he serves big business most loyally and always lines up on their side—"Calif. Conference Engineer")

## VOTE! June 6 VOTE!

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# Vote June 6 in San Benito County

Daily Papers in Vicious Smears—

## Time Is Short; Arouse Voters!

(State Fed. Release)

In a communication directed to all AFL unions and councils in the state, C. J. Haggerty, secretary of the California State Federation of Labor, this week urged full and intense political action by all AFL bodies in the closing phase of the primary campaign.

Haggerty declared that the almost unanimous opposition of the commercial press of the state to the AFL candidates made it all the more important that every unionist interested in the welfare of the labor movement work in close and detailed harmony with his local League for Political Education.

The AFL executive stated that "the reactionary segments of the commercial press have chosen to use the present primary campaign as an opportunity for attacking all that we hold necessary for good and decent living.

"The Big Business papers have opened a bold and dangerous assault on the principles of public housing, unemployment insurance, and social security. They have smeared and misrepresented the legitimate social programs espoused

by our candidates. In their anger, they have elected to oppose in vicious style the majority mind of the American people as expressed time and again at the polls within the past decade and a half."

Haggerty also reminded that the results of the primary tests may well be determined between now and June 6, and that it is therefore essential that all AFL unionists enter the local work of ringing doorbells, distributing literature, and bearing the AFL political message through every neighborhood in the state.

Remember what happened in 1946 when working men and women failed to register and vote. Don't let that happen again. Register and vote!

Be sure to vote June 6!

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## Brother, Have You Tried to Rent Lately?

If you have tried to rent an apartment or house lately, you know why rent control is needed. In most cities there are few vacant apartments and houses. And most of the empty ones cost close to \$100 a month.

Housing Expediter Tighe Woods, who runs the rent control program, says one way to find out whether there is enough housing is to check the number of vacant apartments and houses.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics recently counted vacancies in 25 cities. Woods comments:

"Over-all vacancy rates are generally between one and two per cent, as compared with normal rates of five or six per cent." (That means 98 to 99 per cent of all rental housing is occupied.)

"Vacancy rates for habitable dwellings for rent are generally less than one per cent and many of them are less than one-half of one per cent."

Woods cited these figures in testimony before the House Banking and Currency Committee in connection with that group's study of the advisability of extension of rent controls.

As usual, the real estate lobby played the leading role in the attack against rent controls.—(LLPE).

## Pepper Floored By Race Issue

Why did Rep. George Smathers defeat Sen. Claude Pepper in the Florida primary election? The Republican Miami Herald answers that question:

"Florida observers believe . . . the thing that really did the trick through the hinterlands was the FEPC issue. . . .

"In places where the average Joes gather, roadside eating stands and the like, the FEPC issue was drawing ten mentions for every other Smathers issue.

"And that includes the so-called 'left-wing' issue."

And here is some more from the Miami Herald:

"The race issue loomed large in Smathers' victory.

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## A Sick Doc Can't Pay Up

When a doctor and hospitalization are needed, no one escapes the worry of financial indebtedness—not even doctors who are paying \$25 to the American Medical Association (AMA) to fight national health insurance to make medical aid available to all.

Here is one doctor who knows how his patients feel when they get their medical bill. Dr. R. H. Bramlett, 63-year-old physician, is lying in a Cumming, Ga., hospital after a serious operation.

He has asked patients who owe him about \$25,000 to pay up so he can meet his operation costs.

In another true-life story, a family in Walton, Ind., were forced to take charity and accept help of friends to meet medical expenses.

One of the doctors who treated it as a charity case said, "If my child was paralyzed in an automobile accident and was put in a respirator for a year, I would be a medical indigent in six months."

As long as doctors allow the high

brass of the AMA to represent them, they fight themselves as well as everyone else. —(LLPE)

## Culinary Head Given Honors At S. F. Dinner

Hugo Ernst, international president of Culinary Alliance and Bartenders unions, was honored at a testimonial dinner in San Francisco last week, the affair attended by a number of representatives of unions of the craft in Monterey and Salinas.

It was reported that some \$3000 was raised through the dinner to add to the fund for the City of Hope Sanitarium, at Los Angeles. The dinner was at the Fairmont Hotel with Ernst as speaker, along with others.

Those attending included: From Monterey Culinary-Bartenders Union 483—George Rice, secretary, and Mrs. Rice; Robert Harrington, president, and Mrs. Harrington; Wayne Cantu, Mary Ballinger and Mary Roberts.

From Salinas Culinary Alliance 467—Bertha A. Boles, secretary, and Mildred Roxas.

Don't fail to vote June 6!

## In Union Circles

John Mattos, secretary of Laborers Union 272, was off work several days last week due to a severe cold. He is employed at Square Deal Lumber Co.

Also ill last week-end was John Martins, business agent for Lathers Union 122 and Plasterers Union 763 at Salinas. He, too, was suffering a severe cold, friends said.

Painters Union 1104 of Salinas has completed moving headquarters into the main building of the Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St. The National Farm Labor Union is taking over space vacated by Local 1104 in the rear building at the temple, it was reported.

Although the Monterey County Central Labor Union at Salinas is laying plans to enter a float in the Colmo Del Rodeo parade during the coming California Rodeo, plans for the entry have not been announced.

Glen Wilkerson, business agent for Teamsters Union 890, was laid up last week with cracked ribs, the injury suffered in a fall, friends said.

## Farm Worker Importation Hit by NFLU

Charge that some 3,000 contract agricultural workers are being imported from the Hawaiian Islands was made last week by the AFL National Farm Labor Union of Monterey County and telegrams were ordered sent to Governor Warren and Secretary of Labor Maurice J. Tobin in protest.

Meeting at Soledad, some 200 farm workers of the NFLU instructed Pres. Doc Reynolds of the union to send telegrams as follows:

To Governor Warren: "We are informed that agents of the Salinas Valley growers have arranged for importation of 3,000 contract farm workers from the Hawaiian Islands. They are reported offering higher wages, free transportation, free housing and other conditions local labor is not granted. We consider this move on the same level as the contracting of Mexican nationals, and the widespread hiring of 'wet-backs.' We request your commission now investigating California farm labor conditions come to Salinas immediately to inquire into this new move to reduce local farm labor to peonage conditions."

To Secretary Tobin: "Salinas Valley corporation farmers who have been using thousands of 'wetbacks' and hundreds of Mexican nationals are now bringing in first contingents of 3,000 farm workers from the Hawaiian Islands. California farm workers are willing and able to harvest crops under same advantageous conditions being offered Hawaiian contract labor. We request immediate investigation by the Federal Government of this attempt to reduce Salinas agricultural wage earners to Point Four status. We also request suspension of Federal subsidies to all sugar beet growers who contract non-continental or alien labor under better conditions than those offered local resident labor."

In Salinas, Jack Bias, secretary of the Grower-Shipper Vegetable Assn., said this organization was not involved in any importation of Hawaiian labor, but added that such recruiting may be done on an individual basis. He denied that 3,000 such workers would be imported.

Get set to vote—June 6!

## Labor Supports Monterey Bonds

A bond issue to raise \$800,000 for a sewage disposal project in Monterey has been widely supported by AFL unions of the Monterey area, it was reported last week. Vote on the bond issue is next Tuesday, a part of the primary election ballot.

Painters Union 272 and Laborers Union 690 endorsed the bonds at last meetings, it was reported. Other unions have taken similar action.

The bonds would raise funds to allow Monterey to comply with a state order to stop dumping raw sewage into the bay. A modern sewage disposal plant will be erected, along with pumping plants and force mains. Bonds would be paid off by a tax rate increase of 28½ cents per \$100 assessed valuation.

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## Jap Sardines Decline

Some link between the decline of Japan's sardine fishing industry and that experienced recently in California is being sought by an eminent Japanese fisheries specialist on his current tour of the United States under the sponsorship of General MacArthur's Command.

He is Dr. Yoshio Hiyama, professor of fisheries at Tokyo Imperial University, and member of the SCAP fisheries staff. The Japanese conservationist also represents the Sport Fishing Club Association of Japan, and the Tokyo Aquarium.

Possibility that atomic bomb disturbances may have caused the recent shortage of sardines off the U. S. Pacific Coast was discredited by Dr. Hiyama, who reported the serious decline of Japanese pilchard catches was noted in 1943 and 1944. A similar collapse in sardine fisheries was experienced by California fishermen in 1946 and 1947.

As in California, sardine catches last year improved in Japan, Korea and surrounding waters, Dr. Hiyama revealed.

As the guest of Richard S. Croker, chief of the Bureau of Marine Fisheries, California Division of Fish and Game, the scientist will visit the State Fisheries Laboratory at Terminal Island, Stanford University, California Academy of Sciences, Hopkins and Scripps marine stations, and commercial fisheries operations from San Francisco to San Diego.

The Japanese fishing industry, now operating in limited waters, provides approximately three-quarters of its annual prewar take of three and one-half million tons of fish and shellfish, Dr. Hiyama declared.


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# Talk About Featherbeds

Here Are Three Very Soft Ones—  
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(Reprinted from "Labor")

Three loud shouts of "Socialism" come from various parts of the country. Let's trace them down to their sources. What do we find? "Featherbedders!" And none of them labor union men!

At Tuscaloosa, Alabama, the "organized dentists" blocked the city health departments plan to treat local school children's teeth with sodium fluoride, to prevent decay.

The dentists said they opposed such treatment because it would be "socialized medicine." A good many Tuscaloosans suspect the real reason is "featherbedding." There will be fewer jobs for dentists if children grow up with sound teeth.

At Charleston, West Virginia, a 55-year-old man suffered a "stroke" and was at death's door. His physician called one hospital after another. Not a single one would take in this "emergency case." It seems he had no money, and his doctor was not one of the "insiders" who control the hospitals.

## BLEEDING TO DEATH

As this man is a war veteran, he finally got into a Veterans' Administration hospital 50 miles away.

In the same city, a woman was bleeding to death from a knife wound. No hospital would take her in until the city health department promised to pay her bill.

Both the man and woman could have died for all these hospitals cared, and apparently would have died if government agencies had not come to their aid. They were saved by "socialized medicine."

The doctors who run the hospitals express a great fear of "socialized medicine." What do they really fear? Are they afraid some doctors' profitable "featherbeds" might get mussed up?

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Columbia Bar Association voted "overwhelmingly" against a proposal to set up a "Marital Relations Counsel" system such as has worked well in Detroit and some other cities.

## PROFIT IN DIVORCES

Under this system, the "counsel" and his experienced staff, all impartial public officials, listen to both sides and try to straighten out marital troubles before they end in divorce. If divorce comes nevertheless, they make recommendations to a court on the care and "custody" of the unfortunate children.

Adoption of this system in Washington was recommended by three local judges who have seen the evils of the old way of handling divorces. But most members of the Bar Association, which is the "Lawyers' Union," turned it down. They said it would be something dreadful—"socialized law."

What they really feared was loss of "featherbedding." Divorce cases are one of the most profitable branches of the law. Why have a public "counsel" around persuading married people to patch up their troubles and not get divorced, even if that might be better for them and their children?

Despite all this sort of thing—and there is plenty more of it—just ask the organized dentists, doctors and lawyers whether they have seen any "featherbeds" around in their profession! Most of them will indignantly deny it, and will assert that the place to look for "featherbedding" is among the organized workers.

## Realty Lobbyist Finds Houses Too Costly

Good houses are so expensive that even a real estate lobbyist can't afford to buy one. In 1946 the National Association of Real Estate Boards lent \$2,000 to Calvin K. Snyder, executive vice president of the organization's Realtors Washington Committee.

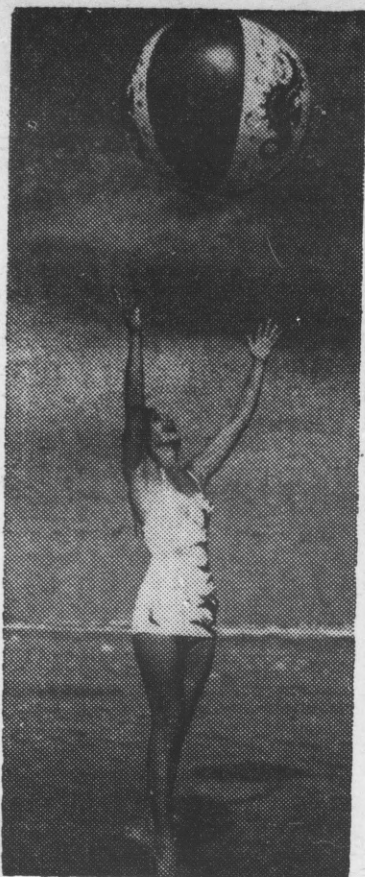
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## Joe McCarthy Is Enemy of Labor

(State Fed. Release)

Sen. Joe McCarthy, the violent character assassin now commanding top space in the commercial dailies of the nation, has a long record of opposition to the American working people.

McCarthy was elected to the U.S. Senate in the reactionary sweep of 1946 and immediately became a leader of the notorious 80th Congress bloc which opened a murderous fire on the rights of the entire labor movement of the land.

How did McCarthy vote on issues of importance to labor? Labor's League for Political Education gives the full answer for the 80th and first session of the 81st Congress.

In the 80th Congress, he voted:

- (1) FOR the Taft-Hartley Bill.
- (2) FOR the Portal-to-Portal Act, which relieves employers from liabilities and penalties for violating the Walsh-Healey, Bacon-Davis, and Fair Labor Standards Acts.

- (3) AGAINST the Barkley anti-inflation measure which would have curbed rising prices.
- (4) AGAINST keeping rent control in federal hands.

- (5) FOR crippling the U.S. Dept. of Labor.
- (6) AGAINST an excess profits tax which would have placed a just fiscal responsibility on the rich.

- (7) AGAINST federal aid to education.
- (8) AGAINST public housing.
- (9) FOR taking 750,000 Americans out from under Social Security coverage.

In the 81st Congress, he voted:

- (10) FOR Taft-Hartley on two separate tests.
- (11) FOR killing rent control.
- (12) FOR sabotaging the Tennessee Valley Authority.

- (13) AGAINST rural farm housing aid.
- (14) FOR crippling the Minimum Wage Law.

- (15) AGAINST an anti-monopoly appointment to the Federal Trade Commission.

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